

CARLSBAD *Currents*



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New trash service coming

The City of Carlsbad is making improvements to trash service that will be more convenient and better for the environment. Get the details inside.

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New trash service (cont.)

Single family residences will receive free wheeled carts for trash, recycling and green waste from Waste Management, the city's trash contractor, and can choose from three sizes for each type of service: 35, 64 or 96 gallon. The new service also

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includes "single stream recycling," which means you won't have to sort recyclables into separate crates. Instead, all recyclables, such as paper, metal, glass and plastic, will go into one

cart. Residents will be able to receive up to three green waste carts and three recycling carts at no additional cost.

Starting July 1, the monthly fee for most residents will increase about a \$1 a month. The monthly fee will decrease about \$.85 a month for residents who select the 35-gallon trash cart. Carlsbad has historically had among the lowest trash rates in the county and will continue to even after the increase goes into effect July 1.



Small
35-gallon cart

Medium
64-gallon cart

Large
96-gallon cart

Carlsbad trash customers will receive information from Waste Management this spring about the new services and how to select the right sized carts for their trash, recycling and green waste needs. The new services will begin in July. For more information, visit www.carlsbadca.gov/environmental or call 760-602-4646.

Fun events

Joe Brubaker: The Exquisite Garden

Now through June 24, Tuesday to Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m., Free

William D. Cannon Art Gallery, Carlsbad City Library complex (Dove Lane), 760-602-2021

Bay area artist Joe Brubaker and a group of visiting artists and designers will work with MiraCosta College art students and artists to transform the gallery into a sculpture installation called "The Exquisite Garden" using found objects, discarded materials and scrap metal. (Kids will enjoy a Family Open Studios for this exhibit Saturday, May 19, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

Bike to Work Day

Friday, May 18, 6 - 9 a.m., Free

Carlsbad Coast at Pine Avenue and corner of Faraday Avenue and Camino Hills Drive, 760-602-7519

Carlsbad celebrates National Bike month with two pit stop stations, one along the beach in north Carlsbad and one in the business park area off Faraday Avenue.



Wild West Fest

Saturday, May 19, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Free

Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park, 760-434-2843

The Wild West comes alive at this historic property. Come taste a sampling of salsas and enjoy entertainment, pony rides, crafts and activities. Activity cards are available for purchase at the event.

This Is Jazz!

Saturday, May 19, 4 - 5:30 p.m., Free

Ruby G. Shulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library complex (Dove Lane)

Host Dirk Sutro explores Electric Jazz with guests Lynn Willard Quartet. This multi-media presentation with live music and enlightening conversations always packs the house.



Supporting strong *neighborhoods*

The City of Carlsbad is offering a new service to help neighbors resolve disputes using trained volunteer mediators who are members of the Carlsbad community.

"Often if you can get into the same room with a neutral third party to help talk through the issues, grievances can be resolved," said Sue Irey, the city's volunteer coordinator. "Mediation is free, quick, confidential and will take place in Carlsbad. The goal of the program is to help residents address issues in a positive setting, rather than letting situations escalate."

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Issues commonly resolved through mediation involve property maintenance disputes, animal nuisance complaints, noise and neighbor-to-neighbor conflicts. The city's program will not be used for disputes between landlords and tenants, nor between property owners and HOAs.

City volunteers have undergone intensive training and received certification through the National Conflict Resolution Center.

"A lot of the time, communication is the key issue. Once residents start improving communication and understanding, the entire neighborhood benefits," said Irey. "We see this new program as an important tool to help keep Carlsbad neighborhoods strong."

For more information, please call 619-593-4530 or visit www.carlsbadca.gov/housing.



Creeks, lagoons and beaches *need spring cleaning too!*

When you're doing your annual spring cleaning, don't forget about the environment. During last year's Coastal Cleanup Day more than 1,000 pounds of trash were removed from Carlsbad beaches. Plastics, Styrofoam and cigarette butts are the most common items found. Do your part to keep trash out of our waterways.

- Make sure your trash is bagged and tied.
- Cover dumpsters and trash cans.
- Properly store or dispose of any household hazardous materials such as paint, solvents and cleaning supplies.
- Properly dispose of cigarette butts.
- Participate in a cleanup event, such as the Creek to Bay Cleanup or California Coastal Cleanup Day.
- And, please report any storm water or storm drain problems to 760-602-2799 or stormwater@carlsbadca.gov.

Trail Clean Up

Saturday, June 9, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Agua Hedionda Lagoon North Shore Trail (near the beach),
760-434-2978.



Meet at the west end of the trail near Carlsbad Boulevard to sign in and get a trash picker and garbage bag. Tools, gloves, water and snacks are provided by the City of Carlsbad Parks & Recreation Department.



*April showers can
Save you money*

Turning your sprinklers off during and after a rainstorm not only saves water, it saves you money on your water bill!



What's the phone number for?

City Hall	760-434-2820
Non-emergency police	760-931-2197
Storm water hotline	760-602-2799
Business license	760-602-2495
Code compliance	760-602-2703
North County Transit District	760-967-2828
County animal control	760-438-2312

For more commonly requested phone numbers, visit the city's website and click on "Carlsbad A-Z" in the upper right of the screen.

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